



Data Sharing Committee

To: Indiana GIS Initiative

From: Bruce Nielsen

Date: January 2, 2001

Re: Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:

Chris Schweitzer, Mike Klepper, Deb Martin, Kevin Petsche, Anna Radue, Ann Starn, Bruce Nielsen

1. Report from NY: Irv Goldblatt, Jill Saligoe-Simmel, & Bruce Nielsen sat down with Bruce Oswald at a recent conference to discuss New York's data cooperative and how Indiana might implement a similar organization.
2. Chris Schweitzer talked about the partnership between the town of Auburn, DeKalb County, and other neighboring towns.
3. Open discussion on if a data cooperative is appropriate for Indiana at this time. Most concluded it is not; our efforts would be best used in establishing a clearinghouse at this time. A tiered implementation would allow for a cooperative at a later date. The clearinghouse should meet our original data sharing objectives, ie:
 - Distributed
 - FGDC compliant metadata
 - Minimum impact on contributors
 - Etc.
4. Decision was made to investigate all states' data sharing arrangements. Bruce will assign states to the committee members, and each will report their findings at the next meeting.
5. A permanent meeting schedule was decided upon. We will meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month, from 9-11am.
6. Next Meeting: Jan 9, 2001, 9-11am at The Polis Center, 1200 Waterway Blvd. Indianapolis. Contact Jill for directions (jsaligoe@iupui.edu; 317-274-2458).